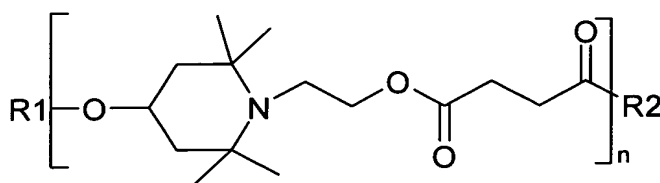


## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A thermoplastic polyurethane, comprising:  
sterically hindered, esterified amine (I) which contains less than 100 ppm of titanium,  
based on the weight of (I), ~~of titanium~~,

wherein the following compound is present as (I) in the polyurethane:



~~where~~ wherein

$n$  is an integer from 1 to 100,

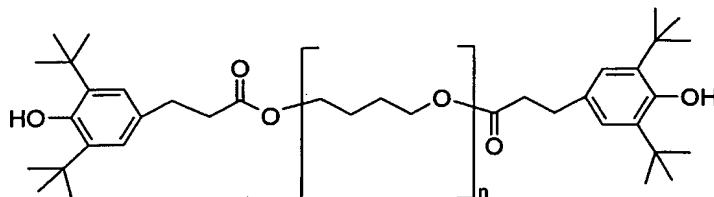
R1 is a hydrogen atom or straight-chain, branched or cyclic alkyl of 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and

R2 is a hydrogen atom or straight-chain, branched or cyclic alkyl of 1 to 12 carbon atoms or is R1 or O-R1 or N(R1)<sub>2</sub> and wherein the thermoplastic polyurethane has a total content of less than 100 ppm of titanium, based on the weight of (I) ~~(1)~~, of titanium.

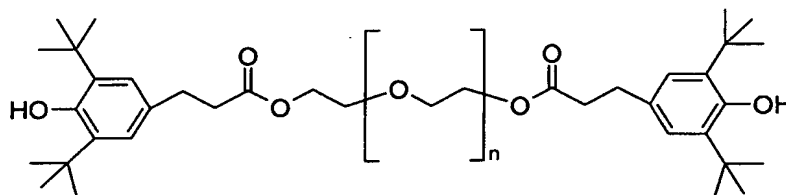
Claim 2 (Original): The thermoplastic polyurethane according to claim 1, wherein the sterically hindered, esterified amine is present in the thermoplastic polyurethane in a concentration of from 0.1 to 5% by weight, based on the total weight of the thermoplastic polyurethane.

Claim 3 (Original): The thermoplastic polyurethane according to claim 1, wherein the plastic comprises a phenolic stabilizer (II).

Claim 4 (Original): The thermoplastic polyurethane according to claim 3, wherein the plastic comprises, as the phenolic stabilizer (II), at least one of the following compounds:



and/or



in each case having the following meanings for n: 1-30.

Claim 5 (Original): The thermoplastic polyurethane according to claim 3, wherein the phenolic stabilizer (II) is present in the polyurethane in a concentration of from 0.1 to 5% by weight, based on the total weight of the polyurethane.

Claim 6 (Previously Presented): The thermoplastic polyurethane according to claim 1, wherein the polyurethane comprises benzotriazole (III).

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The thermoplastic polyurethane according to claim 6, wherein the plastic comprises, as (III), at least one compound selected from the following group consisting of: Tinuvin<sup>®</sup> P (CAS Reg. No. 2440-22-4), Tinuvin<sup>®</sup> 329 (CAS Reg. No. 3147-75-9), Tinuvin<sup>®</sup> 326 (CAS Reg. No. 3896-11-5), Tinuvin<sup>®</sup> 320 (CAS Reg. No. 3846-71-7), Tinuvin<sup>®</sup> 571 (CAS Reg. No. 23328-53-2), Tinuvin<sup>®</sup> 328 (CAS Reg. No.

25973-55-1), Tinuvin® 350 (CAS Reg. No. 36437-37-3, Tinuvin® 327 (CAS Reg. No. 3864-99-1), Tinuvin® 234 (CAS Reg. No. 70321-86-7), Tinuvin® 360 (CAS Reg. No. 103597-45-1), Tinuvin® 840 (CAS Reg. No. 84268-08-6), C7-9 branched and linear alkyl ester of 4-hydroxy-3-(2H-benzotriazol-2-yl)-5-(1,1-dimethylethyl)phenylpropanoic acid (CAS No. 127519-17-9), Tinuvin® 384, Tinuvin® 213 (mixture of 3 substances with CAS No. 104810-48-2, ~~10481047-1, 1/25322-68-3~~ 10481047-1, 25322-68-3).

Claim 8 (Original): The thermoplastic polyurethane according to claim 6, wherein the benzotriazole (III) is present in the plastic in a concentration of from 0.01 to 2% by weight, based on the total weight of the plastic.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): A process for the preparation of a polyurethane comprising a sterically hindered, esterified amine (I), said process polyurethanes, comprising: adding said sterically hindered, esterified amine (I) to a polyurethane during or after the preparation of said polyurethane,

wherein [[a]] said sterically hindered esterified amine (I) containing contains less than 100 ppm of titanium, based on the weight of (I), ~~of titanium is added to the polyurethane during or after the preparation.~~

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): A film, shoe sole, roller, fiber, cladding in automobiles, wiper blade, hose, cable plug, bellows, trailing cable, cable sheath, seal, belt or damping element based on a thermoplastic polyurethane comprising sterically hindered, esterified amine (I) which contains less than 100 ppm, based on the weight of (I), of titanium, the thermoplastic polyurethane having a total content of less than 100 ppm of titanium, based on the weight of (I) (1), of titanium.

Claim 11 (New) The process according to Claim 9, wherein said polyurethane is a thermoplastic polyurethane.

Claim 12 (New): The thermoplastic polyurethane according to claim 1, wherein said sterically hindered esterified amine (I) has a content of titanium of <30 ppm, based on the weight of (I).

Claim 13 (New): The thermoplastic polyurethane according to claim 1, wherein said sterically hindered esterified amine (I) has a content of titanium of <5 ppm, based on the weight of (I).

Claim 14 (New): The thermoplastic polyurethane according to claim 1, further comprising a phenolic stabilizer (II) having a molar mass of from >350 g/mol to <10000g/mol.

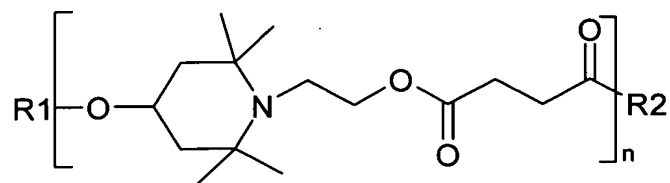
Claim 15 (New): The process according to claim 9, wherein said sterically hindered esterified amine (I) has a content of titanium of <30 ppm, based on the weight of (I).

Claim 16 (New): The process according to claim 9, wherein said sterically hindered esterified amine (I) has a content of titanium of <5 ppm, based on the weight of (I).

Claim 17 (New): The process according to claim 9, wherein said polyurethane further comprises a phenolic stabilizer (II) having a molar mass of from >350 g/mol to <10000g/mol.

Claim 18 (New): The process according to claim 9, wherein said sterically hindered

esterified amine (I) has the following formula:



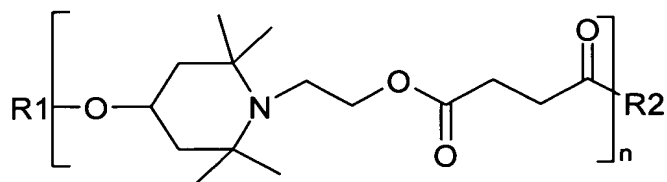
wherein

n is an integer from 1 to 100,

R1 is a hydrogen atom or straight-chain, branched or cyclic alkyl of 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and

R2 is a hydrogen atom or straight-chain, branched or cyclic alkyl of 1 to 12 carbon atoms or is R1 or O-R1 or N(R1)<sub>2</sub>.

Claim 19 (New): The film, shoe sole, roller, fiber, cladding in automobiles, wiper blade, hose, cable plug, bellows, trailing cable, cable sheath, seal, belt or damping element according to Claim 10, wherein said sterically hindered esterified amine (I) has the following formula:



wherein

n is an integer from 1 to 100,

R1 is a hydrogen atom or straight-chain, branched or cyclic alkyl of 1 to 12 carbon atoms, and

R2 is a hydrogen atom or straight-chain, branched or cyclic alkyl of 1 to 12 carbon atoms or is R1 or O-R1 or N(R1)<sub>2</sub>.

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Claim 20 (New) The process according to Claim 9, wherein said thermoplastic polyurethane has a total content of less than 100 ppm of titanium.